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1. The Soviet coexistence campaign is insincere and designed to weaken and divide the West. Soviet policy is necessitated by concern about the future consequences of supporting Chinese dynamism and is dictated by the need temporarily to avoid adventures in order first to solve such serious internal problems as retarded agricultural and industrial production.

2. Soviet proposals, including those on Austria and German disarmament, are therefore insincere. The Soviet coexistence campaign is attempting, without sacrifice on the part of the USSR, to deprive the West of Austria, to prevent the implementation of the Paris pacts regarding West Germany, to neutralize U. S. atomic superiority, and to prevent the building of U. S. bases abroad. If the West is not fabled and continues its present steady policy, the Soviets will be forced to negotiate and to make genuine concessions.

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3. The present time is critical, since Soviet offers have had some response among the people of the West.

The Soviets are convinced that their coexistence policy will weaken Western Europe until, within a few years, it is ripe for the Soviet bear hug.

4. Inclusion of Germany in the Western fold is absolutely necessary by fair means or foul in order that American protection of European independence not be endangered.

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